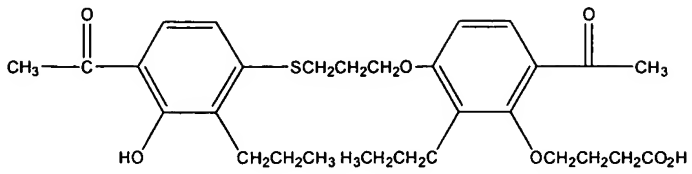
Claims:

1. A method for crystallizing the compound of formula (1)



(1)

to obtain said compound in polymorphic Form A, which is substantially free of other polymorphic forms, comprising:

dissolving compound (1) in 5 to 10 parts by weight of ethanol and 1 – 10 parts of water, agitating the resulting suspension at 20 - 25 °C for 15 – 60 minutes and then cooling to 5-10 °C for an additional period of 1 - 4 hours,

adding to this suspension 5 – 15 parts of water and agitating the mixture at 5-10 °C for an additional 1 - 4 hours,

isolating crystals of compound (1) in polymorphic Form A, substantially free of other polymorphic forms.

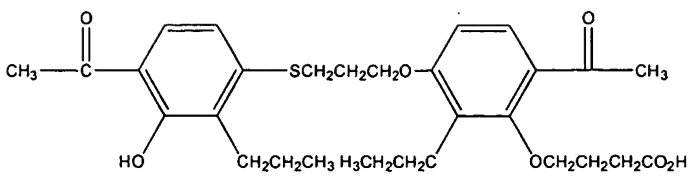
2. The method of claim 1, wherein the isolated crystals of compound (1) contain at least about 90% of polymorphic Form A with respect to other polymorphs.

3. The method of claim 1, wherein the isolated crystals of compound (1) exhibit a PXRD pattern substantially as shown for polymorphic Form A in Figure 6.

4. The method of claim 1, wherein the isolated crystals of compound (1) are at least about 90% polymorphic Form A, as defined by PXRD peak heights around 9° 2-theta.

5. The method of claim 1, wherein the isolated crystals of compound (1) have a substantially orthorhombic crystal structure.

6 A method for crystallizing the compound of formula (1), comprising:



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dissolving said compound in 5 to 7 parts by weight of ethanol at 30 - 40 °C and adding 1 – 2 parts of water, cooling the mixture to 10 – 15 °C over 2 – 3 hours and then cooling to 5 – 10 °C for an additional period of 1 – 4 hours,

adding to this suspension 5 – 15 parts of water and agitating the mixture at 5 – 10 °C for an additional 1 – 4 hours, and

isolating crystals of compound (1) in polymorphic Form A, which is substantially free of other polymorphic forms.

7. The method of claim 6, wherein the isolated crystals of compound (1) exhibit at least about 90% of polymorphic Form A with respect to other polymorphs.

8. The method of claim 6, wherein the isolated crystals of compound (1) exhibit a PXRD pattern substantially as shown for polymorphic Form A in Figure 6.

9. The method of claim 6, wherein the isolated crystals of compound (1) are at least about 90% polymorphic Form A, as defined by PXRD peak heights around 9° 2-theta.

10. The method of claim 6, wherein the isolated crystals of compound (1) have a substantially orthorhombic crystal structure.